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EVALUATION

DATE OF CONTENT 26 and 27 November 1953

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. Between 8:30 a.m. and noon on 26 November 1953, 20 MiG-15s were counted at Deutsch Wagram (F 49/S 50) airfield. Source estimated another 10 to 15 MiG-15s to be there but could not be clearly observed. Source could not identify aircraft of type Yak-11 or any other types. There was no air activity. The weather was cloudless with a southerly wind of about 40 km/h and visibility of about 15 km. The western row of four searchlights was unchanged. The eastern row and the new southwestern row of searchlights could not be observed. The AA gun emplacements were unoccupied and unguarded. No activities were observed there. There was intensive traffic near the aircraft revetments.

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2. The aircraft repair shop in Deutsch Wagram military post was unguarded. No crates or scrap were piled up at the installation.

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3. There was no change in the occupation of the officers quarters at Strasshof military post. Only light personnel traffic was observed. The "larger building" was guarded by a sentry with black-bordered blue epaulets. Personnel wearing black-bordered blue epaulets entered and left the building. The parking lot was unoccupied. The "smaller building" was frequented by personnel also wearing black-bordered blue epaulets. A truck was parked in the yard of it. There was light traffic by personnel, wearing black-bordered blue epaulets, at the cantonment. No parked motor vehicles were seen there. Construction work was being done by 5 soldiers, wearing black-bordered blue epaulets, on a new garage shed at the camp at the edge of the woods. Thirty motor vehicles, [redacted] were counted in the camp area.

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4. Between 2 p.m. and 4:20 p.m. on 27 November

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No 28 on Bahnhof Strasse was guarded by a sentry with black-bordered blue epaulets. On the roof of the building, a cone-shaped antenna with a disc on top was seen. In the yard of the opposite building an antenna of the same type was seen. Building No 19 on Bahnhof Strasse was guarded by a sentry who wore black-bordered blue epaulets. Neither vehicular nor personnel traffic was observed there. In the yard of building No 3 on Bahnhof Strasse, work was being done on 1 truck and 2 jeeps. Some soldiers with black-bordered blue epaulets carrying notebooks were observed walking from the school to another section of the building. Building No 25 on Haupt Strasse was confirmed as officers billets. Van-like truck [redacted] with driver wearing black-bordered blue epaulets was parked in front of building No 10 on Geisenendorfer Strasse. The lower half of the van-like superstructure of the truck was painted blue, the upper half yellow. A detail of about 25 soldiers with black-bordered blue epaulets marched to the house and subsequently entered the building.

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[redacted] Buildings Nos 68 to 78 and 51 to 53 appeared to be vacated. The motor vehicle park was guarded by a sentry with black-bordered blue epaulets.

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[redacted] In the yard of building No 42 on Pockfliess Gasse, the superstructure of a van-like truck was seen and, in a shed, a sizable quantity of cabbage and 4 field kitchens were seen. Some buildings on Ostmark Gasse were occupied by officers.

[redacted] Comment. A Soviet fighter regiment is believed to be stationed at Deutsch Wagram airfield. The personnel and ground personnel of the unit are quartered in Deutsch Wagram and Strasshof.

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